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material**

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Introduction

This document contains requirements and recommendations to enable biobanks handling animal material to demonstrate competent biobank operation and the ability to provide animal biological material and associated data of appropriate quality for research and development.

This document supports processes that maintain animal welfare, as it is anchored in the principle of the three Rs: to “Replace, Reduce and Refine the use of animals”^[18].

The use of this document helps to ensure the quality of animal biological material and the reliability of research results under the application of ISO 20387.

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